LITERARY CRITICISM AND BOOK NEWS

More of John Bigelow's "Retrospections"-An Englishman's Record in Many Climes -Life and Customs in the Argentine.

cences of the late John Bigeorming and entertaining diarist will

man war, and the Tilden-Hayes elecperiod, and, incidentally, some inside late William Dorsheimer, Lieutenant

of these reminiscences, the shrewdness life, and an interest to future | heimer afoot. historians, if also possible grounds for drawing up. "I am too big." answered with him the Mexican disaster, the One more quotation. Among his infuture President informed him that numerable acquaintances Mr. Bigelow Bazaine had "made" \$2,500,000 in counted a young German diplomatist Mexico, and added that he guessed who, in accordance with the fashion of

Home said, "Do you hear those knocks?" Bulwer answered "Yes." Anthony Trollope made an experiment with the impostor that succeeded to perfection. He arranged for a scance en the following evening, and then said to his wife, within Home's hearing, "It was just --- years to-night since our dear --- was drowned." Dear --- had not been drowned at all, but Home produced spiritual evidence that she had

thing at all in the great events that were unfolding. "I doubt if it ever ocwas a man of decidedly small intel- ers. lectual equipment is, of course, perfeetly well known. The comic papers of Abel, the master of fifty languages:

of the case. Certain it is that Will- its benefit the weird terms employed in low wages, slum life, institutional at- practising her profession on the maslam I knew how to select his men and this division of the world; for ino give them the unflinching support of stance: his authority. There is sly humor in the term "box car" he captures in his they believe to be the servant of has to sell, relying upon her honesty Mr. Bigelow's brief entry of the bit of net for English inspection, though wealth, and with the invincible igno- in carrying out her part of the bargossip that ascribed Queen Victoria's he endeavors never to appear sur- rance of that wealth itself, its belief gain. He has no other choice, but,

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS.

HENRY VAN DYKE'S THE UNKNOWN QUANTITY A Book of Romance and Some Half Told Tales

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history of the Centennial at Philadel- Governor of the state under Tilden.

what good Alaska would do the United the famous stuttering wit; "p-p-per-

hen Bazaine got home to France, it ments," to which celebrities of many nations had contributed. He was proudest of the three entries that fol-

p carry into practice: One is to forgivener; the other, never to forget.
Paris, March 23, 1870. GUIZOT.

In this review of these two volumes ning of this article. Nothing remains acters of this story of the struggle, beknowledge it, wherefore, whenever to be added, except the repetition of a gun in the last century, between readesire for the early publication of son and superstition, between free in- this new volume of collected short himself. Mr. Hornblow occasionally of Captain Dreyfus, French Guiana is whatever remains of Mr. Bigelow's vestigation and arbitrary ecclesiastical stories as an instrument of many offends against good taste, but no an eyesore, not only to its immediate diarles and correspondence.

HARDY ADVENTURES

Crude Life Observed in Various Parts of the World.

CONFESSIONS OF A TENDERbe recognized, to quote our friend conservatism that deliberately closes. The author has brought together salem. again, across the street; just as, he its eyes, refusing to see, lest its peace these stories under their present title curred to any of the allied sovereigns, with one eye shut he can "tell" be disturbed. He observes the barwho visited Paris in 1815, to send the a reader of Dr. van Dyke. This berenness of the llp service of his parof this new Land of the Spirit." His billity of a language which is erroneuncle to such a place as Withelms- fore us is not a "literary" book. "So ishloners, the contrast between their opening story, "The Stranger's Pew," hohe." That the Emperor William I far, so good," say sensible travel read- worldly practices and the creed they is a curious blend of poetic sentiment man of education and refinement, has doxy, the sources from which their religious worship. "The Stable of the done work as a journalist, and writes charity springs, the methods by which Inn" is a Biblical tale. But the story Austria made the most of the fact after a perfectly clear, easy style. His work their fortunes are won and secured which none but Mr. Page could have the defeat at Sadowa, but never before will not, however, appeal to the subtle and augmented, and their cost. He written is "The Old Planters," in has it been so bluntly stated as here, in mind as successfully vivacious, al- confronts the economic problem, and which, with charming sentiment and an entry in the diary of a conversation though he has struggled valiantly to then comes the revelation that it can benevolent humor and touching tragbetween Mr. Bigelow and Dr. Karl make it so. But as a "true and un- not be solved by the amelioration of edy, is typified in an antiquated old varnished account of world wander- material conditions, by the spread of couple the chivalrous spirit of the old He is a very illiterate man, and does not even pretend to know anything about war, but no one is better advised than he should be number of buttons on a soldler's could and the way he should carry a could and the way he should carry a could and the way he should carry a could sold the way he should carry a could sold the special carry and the special ings," of experiences in crude and enlightenment alone. The things of South. "Then the mental machinery Western United States; of adventures the spirit is being reborn. casions "the gentleman in him still and observations in the South Sea Isl- Much of this is familiar to many, if flashed out after the man had almost ands, and of farming experiments in as yet but imperfectly realized by more. faded into vacuity," Australia, it is satisfactorily vivid.

The author is an Englishman and well done. Much thought, as has alwrote his book originally for an Eng- ready been said, has gone to the writing geodness of Providence that all our ver and wrote his book or grand worldly distinction should have the new cannot me which with men capable of appreciating obviously he expects to regard the is in direct touch with most of the revelation of his explorations of such questions of the hour. It utilizes conforeign parts as North America as ditions with which we all have been her field of operation, and we find her Which is probably an overstatement marvellous, indeed. He translates for made familiar-with crooked finance, at the very beginning of the story veto of Prince Metternich's appoint- prised at anything he encounters, "It in its own righteousness, its comfort- strangely enough, he feels that his never does," he says, "to show sur- able acquiescence in the things that trust will not be betrayed. An extraorprise at anything in the West." "The be, which may be ameliorated by dinary woman, this, the first being, Western mind," he observes further, charity, but cannot be cured. That in male or female, that has ever succeed-"is dense on occasion." At one place this plot the rector should meet his ed in getting the better of him. He in his book he comes near to wit; a richest parishioner's victims in the begins to take an interest in her, and muscular giant of a Russian whom he slum, that he should be able to lay thus, by means of an adroitly conemployed on his fruit farm in Queens- at his door the direct responsibility for structed plot, in which the blackmail-

> should be." book is that discussing the danger of an infamous hotel, are coincidences her system and its ramifications. He loneliness and the deterioration of self- which the foreshortening demanded by has detectives of his own, of course, respect in solitude. The author went the limitations of space in even the wherefore, in the development of his speep herding by himself. For the longest novel amply justifies. And it is strange pursuit, he stumbles ere long first week he regarded the situation an integral part of Mr. Churchill's upon his chief rival in the market,

i, except that when meal times came and I asked myself what was the of lighting the fire, and answered the estion by sitting down to sour dough, acle and water. It saved trouble, and the control of the ighed Twice after to some cars. Twice after the solution of th

The author moved along on his wan

ARGENTINA

A Frenchman's Notes on South American Society

but the moment that she is married all with a full measure of local color. The

harem. "Effacement, resignation, sub- resistance. He discovers more-the The second week was precisely like the mission" become the household watchdancing twice with the same man, or and an unexpected ending. The story "At last I can draw a free much of a novelty of its own kind. Cordoba, "the Switzerland of socially speaking, is, according to M. Huret, the most charming spot in South

> Some interesting chapters are devoted to the increasing influence of Germany five thousand Germans living there are not "cream puffs" themselves. Mr. permanently, and the Germans out- Van Loan is a good "red blood" writer number the British colonists by about and undoubtedly he ten thousand. Germany supplies the of his subject. We ourselves are more

changed. The young wife is im- book has an excellent map. C. I. B.

FICTION AND PRESENT-DAY LIFE

Winston Churchill on a Reviving Spiritual Life-Thomas Nelson Page's Volume of Stories-Some New Novels for Light Reading.

Much reflection has gone to the writing of this novel, much observation of A little forgetfulness mars neither the have spoken confidently of late, and insertly nor the dignity of forgiveness. Paris. April 6, 1879. THIERS. sive spirit, casting aside the shackles seeking to establish on this earth jusice in the place of charity, the brother-

It is in a large mid-Western city THE LAND. rector of the city's most fashionable ity. Each story-or study maybe is church, progresses from blind ortho- the better word-is an essay, an exerduced spiritual evidence that she had been just the same.

Of Napoleon's captivity at Wilhelms, offer ter Sedan, Mr. Bigelow observes, the fact re Sedan, Mr. Bigelow observes, the fact re Sedan, Mr. Bigelow observes, the fact was also humiliating. He was not guarded, no restrictions were placed on his goings and comings, but there was in all this there was in all the rew was in all the rew

The author's exposition is admirably " hobo'-i, e., a tramp." And the submerged for the religion that goods" on him, and he buys what she land, "yet was as gentle as a woman- a suicide and the moral death of a er's daughter plays a part-their so A very interesting portion of this ers should be the knowing owner of gets an insight into the workings of

THE SPIRIT AND THE WORD, vision that his heroine THE INSIDE OF THE CUP. By Win I woman, self-reliant and strong, who ston Churchill. Hustrations by Howard | yet is so tired of the effort of living to faith in its modern form-the old wine

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THE PRIZE RING

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George Borrow sang "the noble pruisers of old England," and George Bellows paints 'em-those of our own fight. Tommy Flaherty, affectionately training of a Japanese child, by the

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JUNE MAGAZINES AND REVIEWS

Summer Travel-Wagner's Centenary-"The Yellow Peril"-John Quincy Adams on Mme. de Stael-The Ethics of Miracles.

nam on the Monroe Doctrine, which he calls an "obsolete shibboleth," responsible for much of the suspicion of and he hostility against this country latent in the South American republics. The United States, says this writer, should realize that the great Latin nations to he south of us have reached man's es-

THE CENTURY

trious lady. She praised England exfor, Lord Cathcart, who added to her our unpreparedness sulogies the statement that Great cific and on our own

The glittering sprightliness of the lady not the stately gravity of the ambassion were as well contrasted as their espective topics of praise, and if my nind had been at east to relish anything a the nature of an exhibition I should ave been moch amused at hearing a renchwoman's celebration of the generative of the English towards other

Wagner's centenary is celebrated in his issue by Mr. H. T. Finck.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE In the June "Harper's" Charles W.

The art of Mr. Page is exhibited in the true inwardness of the case for "The Dry Guillotine" and the inferno lon. authority, between the scientific spirit strings. The chords are touched here doubt he knows his public, and suits it English and Dutch neighbors, but an seeking to serve humanity and the an- of delicate sentiment and of amiable in this as in everything else. The book anachronism on the soil of the New | President Wilson closes his series of tiquated theology fearing the new humor, of melodrama, almost, and would be a rather entertaining com- World. Most informing and helpful in articles on "The New Freedom" in this the clearness of its exposition and its review with one on "The Emancipa refreshing human touch is John L. tion of Business." Arthur W. Page England, and, incidentally, on the Con- novels reach the 190,000 mark. Asid

Below that the women are the superiors, ican commerce deserves attenues and the farther down you go you find this truer and truer. Over the washtub and the cookstove and the cradle! Chester H. Rowell quotes the words of

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The new issue of the Atlantic opens with a drastic paper by Hiram Bington am on the Monroe Doctrine, which have alls an "obsolete shibboleth," responsible to the control of the contr with a drastic paper by Hiram Bing-

Among the fiction, V. H. Cornelli clever story of "The Geniuses," hus band and wife and their two children

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